

Response to John Emshwiller (Wall Street Journal) Inquiry

Since 2013, EPA Region 7 has been working on a significant engineering challenge to identify the best way to separate radiologically impacted material (RIM) in OU1 from potential contact with the subsurface smoldering event in the Bridgeton Landfill. The Supplemental Feasibility Study identified known locations of RIM in Areas 1 and 2. Additional work to identify locations of RIM south of Area 1 continues.

As reports from the characterization work are completed, EPA Region 7 will make those reports available on its West Lake Landfill webpage: http://www.epa.gov/region07/cleanup/west_lake_landfill/